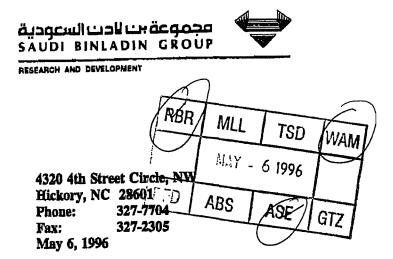
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Dear Mr. Robertson:

Greetings from North Carolina!

I like you to know that the last IRF/CIMA meeting in Washington, DC was the most enjoyable, stimulating and beneficial meeting I have ever attended. The quality of discussions and presentations were first rate. Congratulations and best wishes for continued success. May I suggest that a small file containing the outline of all available presentations be made and sent to interested members. I would love to receive one. I have already requested, through IRF desk, a copy of Mr. Hajj and Mr. Bradshaw's presentationS.

Congratulations again.

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Regards.